

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:	)	Chapter 11
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THE IT GROUP, INC., <i>et al.</i> ,	)	Case No. 02-10118 (MFW)
	)	Jointly Administered
Debtors.	)	
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IT LITIGATION TRUST,	)	Civ. A. No. 04-CV-1268 (KAJ)
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
v.	)	
	)	
DANIEL A. D'ANIELLO, FRANCIS J. HARVEY,	)	
JAMES C. MCGILL, RICHARD W. POGUE,	)	
PHILLIP B. DOLAN, E. MARTIN GIBSON,	)	
ROBERT F. PUGLIESE, CHARLES W.	)	
SCHMIDT, JAMES DAVID WATKINS,	)	
ANTHONY J. DeLUCA, HARRY J. SOOSE,	)	
THE CARLYLE GROUP, THE CARLYLE	)	
GROUP L.L.C., CARLYLE PARTNERS II, L.P.,	)	
CARLYLE SBC PARTNERS II, L.P., CARLYLE	)	
INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS II L.P.,	)	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
CARLYLE INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS III,	)	
L.P., C/S INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS,	)	
CARLYLE INVESTMENT GROUP, L.P.,	)	
CARLYLE-IT INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS,	)	
LP, CARLYLE-IT INTERNATIONAL	)	
PARTNERS II, L.P., CARLYLE-IT PARTNERS	)	
L.P., and T.C. GROUP, L.L.C.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
	)	

**ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES OF DEFENDANT PUGLIESE**

Defendant Robert F. Pugliese ("Pugliese"), through counsel, answers the allegations of Plaintiffs' First Amended Complaint (the "Complaint") as follows. To the extent not explicitly admitted, all other allegations of the First Amended Complaint are denied.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations is required. To the extent a response is required, Defendant Pugliese admits that Plaintiff purports to bring this action to, among other things, redress breaches of fiduciary duty, including breaches of loyalty and due care, by the Directors, Officers and controlling shareholders of the IT Group. Defendant Pugliese also admits that Plaintiff purports to seek not less than \$150 million in damages on these claims and that Plaintiff purports to assert claims to avoid and recover preferential and constructively fraudulent transfers to certain of the Defendants. Except as so expressly admitted, Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint and specifically denies that Plaintiff is entitled to any of the relief sought by its Complaint.

## **PARTIES**

2. In response to Paragraph 2 of the Complaint, Defendant Pugliese admits that Plaintiff purports to bring this action in its capacity as the representative of the Debtors and their estates and for the benefit of the estates' creditors, and that Plaintiff purports to bring this action pursuant to the authority granted to it under law and the Court's Orders dated March 12, 2004, December 22, 2003, and November 6, 2003, and the Stipulation and Order dated September 1, 2004. Except as so expressly admitted, Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

3. Defendant Pugliese admits that D'Aniello was a director of the IT Group and a member of the Executive Committee and Compensation Committee of the board of directors of

the IT Group from 1996 through 2002. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

4. Defendant Pugliese admits that Harvey was a director of the IT Group from 1999 through 2002 and served as a member of the Executive Committee and Compensation Committee of the board of directors of the IT Group. Defendant Pugliese further admits that in November 2001, Harvey was appointed acting CEO and President of the Company. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint.

5. Defendant Pugliese admits the allegations in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint.

6. Defendant Pugliese admits that Defendant Richard W. Pogue was a director of the IT Group and a member of the Audit Review Committee of the board of directors of the IT Group from 1998 through certain times in 2002.

7. Defendant Pugliese admits that Dolan was a director of the IT Group and a member of the Compensation Committee of the board of directors of the IT Group after November 20, 1996. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint.

8. Defendant Pugliese admits that Defendant Gibson was a member of the IT Group and a member of the Audit Review Committee of the board of directors of the IT Group from November 1996 through 2002. Defendant Pugliese further states that Defendant Gibson's first initial is E, not B. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint.

9. Defendant Pugliese admits the allegations in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint.

10. Defendant Pugliese admits the allegations in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.

11. Defendant Pugliese admits that Watkins was a director of the IT Group and a member of the Compensation Committee of the board of directors of the IT Group from 1996 through 2002. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 11 of the Complaint.

12. Defendant Pugliese admits that DeLuca was President and Acting CEO and a director as of November 1996, and was named IT Group's CEO and President on July 22, 1997. Defendant further admits that DeLuca resigned as Chief Executive Officer, President and director of IT Group on or about November 13, 2001. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 12 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 12 of the Complaint.

13. Defendant Pugliese admits that Soose was Vice President, Controller of IT Group as of November 1996 and became Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer in July, 1999. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint.

14. Defendant Pugliese admits that the Carlyle Group is a private entity with its primary place of business in Washington, D.C. and that it invested in the IT Group through a number of entities which the Carlyle Group owned or controlled. Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 14 of the Complaint.

15. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 15 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 15 of the Complaint.

16. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 16 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 16 of the Complaint.

17. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 17 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 17 of the Complaint.

18. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 18 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 18 of the Complaint.

19. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 19 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 19 of the Complaint.

20. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 20 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 20 of the Complaint.

21. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 21 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 21 of the Complaint.

22. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 22 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 22 of the Complaint.

23. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 23 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 23 of the Complaint.

24. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 24 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 24 of the Complaint.

25. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 25 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 25 of the Complaint.

26. Paragraph 26 of the Complaint contains no factual allegations, and therefore no response is required.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

27. The allegations in Paragraph 27 of the Complaint state a legal conclusion to which no response is required.

28. The allegations in Paragraph 28 of the Complaint state a legal conclusion to which no response is required.

#### **FACTUAL SUPPORT OF CLAIMS FOR RELIEF**

29. The First Amended Complaint does not contain a Paragraph 29.

30. Defendant Pugliese admits that the IT Group was a Delaware Corporation with its principal office in Monroeville Pennsylvania at certain times. Defendant Pugliese further admits that at certain times, the IT Group was a provider of services in the areas of consulting, engineering, construction, environmental remediation, facilities and waste management; that the IT Group's projects ranged in length from one month to many years; that IT Group's range of services included the identification of contaminants in soil, air and water, as well as the subsequent design and execution of remedial solutions; and that IT Group also provided project and facilities management capabilities and other related services to non-environmental civil construction, watershed restoration and the outsourcing privatization markets. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 30 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 30 of the Complaint.

31. Defendant Pugliese denies that the Carlyle Defendants took control of the IT Group. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 31 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 31 of the Complaint.

32. Defendant Pugliese admits that, beginning in or about 1998, the IT Group acquired at least eleven companies over the next two years. Except as so expressly admitted, Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 32 of the Complaint.

33. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about February and June 1998, the IT Group acquired OHM Corporation. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 33 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 33 of the Complaint.

34. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about December 1998, the IT Group acquired Groundwater Technology, Inc. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 34 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 34 of the Complaint.

35. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about March 1999, the IT Group acquired Roche Limited Consulting Services. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 35 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 35 of the Complaint.

36. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about April 1999, the IT Group acquired EFM Group. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 36 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 36 of the Complaint.

37. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about June 1999, the IT Group acquired EMCON, Inc. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 37 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 37 of the Complaint.

38. Defendant Pugliese admits that in or about May 2000, the IT Group acquired W&H Pacific, Inc. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 38 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 38 of the Complaint.

39. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 39 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 39 of the Complaint.

40. Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 40 of the Complaint.

41. Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 41 of the Complaint.

42. Defendant Pugliese is unable to determine the method of measurement for the allegations that, as of 1998, the IT Group had experienced consecutive fiscal years in which it had lost money, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 42 of the Complaint.

43. Defendant Pugliese admits that the Acquisitions between 1998 and 2000 were funded largely by debt financing. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 43 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 43 of the Complaint.

44. Defendant Pugliese admits that the Debt Financing increased the Company's leverage and increased its interest payments. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 44 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 44 of the Complaint.

45. Defendant Pugliese admits that the IT Group requested and obtained from the Bank Group in March 2000 an additional \$100 million term loan. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 45 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 45 of the Complaint.

46. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 46 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 46 of the Complaint.

47. Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 47 of the Complaint.

48. The term “desired benefits” is vague, ambiguous and undefined. On that basis, the Defendant Harvey is incapable of responding to the allegations in Paragraph 48 and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 48 of the Complaint.

49. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 49 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 49 of the Complaint.

50. Pursuant to the Court’s order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 50 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 50 of the Complaint.

51. Pursuant to the Court’s order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 51 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese admits that, in 1999 and 2000, Defendants did not retain financial asset divestiture consultants, turnaround and restructuring consultants, or bankruptcy counsel. Defendant Pugliese denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 51 of the Complaint.

52. Pursuant to the Court’s order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no

response to those allegations in Paragraph 52 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 52 of the Complaint.

53. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 53 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 53 of the Complaint.

54. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 54 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 54 of the Complaint.

55. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 55 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 55 of the Complaint.

56. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 56 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 56 of the Complaint.

57. Defendant Pugliese admits the allegations in Paragraph 57 of the Complaint.

**FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Breach of Fiduciary Duties against the Directors and Officers)**

58. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 57 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

59. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 59 is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 59 state conclusions of law to which no response is required.

60. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 60 is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 60 state conclusions of law to which no response is required.

61. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to Paragraph 61(a) – (f) and 61(i) – (j) is required. Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 61 of the Complaint.

62. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care,

and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 62 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 62 of the Complaint.

**SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Breach of fiduciary duties against the Directors and Officers**  
**Under The "Trust Fund Doctrine")**

63. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 62 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

64. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 64 is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 64 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

65. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to Paragraph 65(a) – (f) and 65(i) – (j) is required. Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 65 of the Complaint.

66. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 66 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 66 of the Complaint.

**THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Waste of corporate assets against the Directors and Officers)**

67. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 67 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

68. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 68 is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 68 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

69. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to Paragraph 69(a) – (e) and 69(h) is required. Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 69 of the Complaint.

70. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 70 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 70 of the Complaint.

71. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no

response to those allegations in Paragraph 71 is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 71 of the Complaint.

**FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Breach of fiduciary duties against the Carlyle Defendants)**

72. Defendant incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 71 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

73. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 73 is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 73 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Four and thus no response is required.

74. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to Paragraph 74(a) – (f) and 74(i) – (j) is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Four and thus no response is required.

75. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 75 is required. Further, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Four and thus no response is required.

**FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Aiding and Abetting Breach of Fiduciary Duty against the Carlyle Defendants)**

76. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 75 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

77. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 77 is required. Further, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Five and thus no response is required.

78. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 78 is required. Further, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Five and thus no response is required.

79. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations involving breaches of the duty of care, waste of corporate assets for actions in violation of the duty of care, and aiding and abetting violations of the duty of care have been dismissed. Accordingly, no response to those allegations in Paragraph 79 is required. Further, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Five and thus no response is required.

**SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Avoidance and Recovery of Transfers Made to Gibson, Harvey, Pogue,**  
**Pugliese, Schmidt, Watkins, and the Carlyle Defendants Pursuant to Sections**  
**547 and 550 of the Bankruptcy Code)**

80. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 79 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

81. Defendant Pugliese admits that on or within one year before the Petition Date, the IT Group made certain transfers by check, wire transfer, or its equivalent, of certain monetary amounts to Defendant Pugliese, but denies that such transfers constituted “avoidable transfers” or “preferences.” Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 81 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies all of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 81 of the Complaint.

82. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 82 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 82 of the Complaint.

83. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 83 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 83 of the Complaint.

84. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 84 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 84 of the Complaint.

85. Defendant Pugliese admits that he received payment of \$49,035 from IT Group within one year of the Petition Date. Defendant Pugliese denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 85 of the Complaint.

86. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 86 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 86 of the Complaint.

87. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 87 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 87 of the Complaint.

88. Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 88 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 88 of the Complaint.

89. The allegations in Paragraph 89 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

90. The allegations in Paragraph 90 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

91. The allegations in Paragraph 91 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

92. The allegations in Paragraph 92 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

93. Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 93 of the Complaint.

94. The allegations in Paragraph 94 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

95. The allegations in Paragraph 95 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

96. The allegations in Paragraph 96 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

**SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Avoidance and Recovery of Constructively Fraudulent Transfers Made to the Carlyle Defendants Pursuant to Sections 544, 548, 550 and 551 of the Bankruptcy Code)**

97. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 96 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

98. Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

99. Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

100. The First Amended Complaint does not contain a Paragraph 100.

101. Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

102. Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

103. Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

104. The allegations in Paragraph 104 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

105. The allegations in Paragraph 105 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

106. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations seeking to recover payments made prior to January 16, 2001 under 11 U.S.C. § 548 are dismissed, therefore no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

107. The allegations in Paragraph 107 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

108. Pursuant to the Court's order dated November 15, 2005, the allegations seeking to recover payments made prior to January 16, 2001 under 11 U.S.C. § 548 are dismissed, therefore no response is required. Further, the allegations in Paragraph 108 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. Moreover, Defendant Pugliese is not named as a defendant in Count Seven and thus no response is required.

**EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Fraudulent Conveyances Made to the Preference Defendants and**  
**Carlyle Defendants Under Sections 544, 550 and 551 of the**  
**Bankruptcy Code and 6 Del. Code § 1303)**

109. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 108 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

110. The allegations in Paragraph 110 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 110 of the Complaint.

111. The allegations in Paragraph 111 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

112. The allegations in Paragraph 112 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

113. The allegations in Paragraph 113 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

114. Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 114 of the Complaint.

115. The allegations in Paragraph 115 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 115 of the Complaint.

**NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**  
**(Liability of Director Defendants for Unlawful**  
**Payment of Dividends Under Del. Code § 174)**

116. Defendant Pugliese incorporates his responses to Paragraphs 1 – 115 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

117. The allegations in Paragraph 117 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 117 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies the allegations in Paragraph 117 of the Complaint.

118. The allegations in Paragraph 118 of the Complaint state a conclusion of law to which no response is required. To the extent an answer is required, Defendant Pugliese denies the allegations in Paragraph 118 of the Complaint.

119. Paragraph 119 of the Complaint contains no factual allegations, and therefore no response is required. However, Defendant Pugliese avers that the Litigation Trust may not reserve rights which have been barred by, among other things, the applicable statute of limitations.

To the extent that any allegations of the Complaint have not been responded to, in paragraphs 1 – 119 above, these allegations are denied.

## **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

### **First Affirmative Defense**

The claims alleged in the First Amended Complaint are barred, in whole or in part, by the applicable statute of limitations.

### **Second Affirmative Defense**

The First Amended Complaint and each purported claim for relief fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

### **Third Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust's claims are barred in whole or part by the doctrines of waiver, estoppel, laches, ratification, discharge in bankruptcy and/or unclean hands.

### **Fourth Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust lacks standing to maintain this action on the ground that the Litigation Trust has suffered no actual injury as a consequence of any actions by Defendants.

### **Fifth Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust lacks standing to maintain its claims for relief pursuant to Section 544(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and 6 Del. C. § 1303 et seq. on the ground that there is no actual creditor of the Debtor holding an unsecured claim allowable against the Debtor's estate which would have the right to void the applicable transfers under applicable law.

### **Sixth Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust has failed to mitigate any damages it may have sustained.

### **Seventh Affirmative Defense**

Defendants violated no legal duty allegedly owed to the Litigation Trust.

**Eighth Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust's claims are barred because Defendants' actions were privileged, legitimate, justified, and/or not improper.

**Ninth Affirmative Defense**

Insofar as any cause of action in the Complaint sounds in fraud, the Complaint fails to plead fraud with particularity.

**Tenth Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust's claims for relief are barred by the doctrines of recoupment and set-off.

**Eleventh Affirmative Defense**

The Litigation Trust is precluded from recovering amounts where such recovery is inconsistent with applicable law and regulations.

**Twelfth Affirmative Defense**

Defendants acted in good faith, with due care and in the best interest of IT Group, its shareholders, its creditors, and/or any others to whom they may have owed a duty.

**Thirteenth Affirmative Defense**

The acts and/or omissions alleged are immune from liability under the Business Judgment Rule.

**Fourteenth Affirmative Defense**

No wrongful conduct occurred.

**Fifteenth Affirmative Defense**

A portion or all of the damages claimed to have been suffered by the Litigation Trust are not attributable to the acts or conduct of the Defendant.

**Sixteenth Affirmative Defense**

The acts and practices of persons or entities not associated with Defendants, and ongoing economic events, constitutes intervening and superseding causes of the alleged harm, if any, suffered by Plaintiffs.

**Seventeenth Affirmative Defense**

Any preferential transfer was (A) in payment of a debt incurred by the debtor in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs of the debtor and the transferee, (B) made in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs of the debtor and the transferee and (C) made according to ordinary business terms.

**Eighteenth Affirmative Defense**

After any preferential transfer, the creditor gave new value to or for the benefit of the debtor (A) not secured by an otherwise unavoidable security interest and (B) on account of which new value the debtor did not make an otherwise unavoidable transfer to or for the benefit of such creditor.

**Nineteenth Affirmative Defense**

Any preferential transfer was (A) intended by the debtor and the creditor to or for whose benefit such transfer was made to be a contemporaneous exchange for new value given to the debtor and (B) in fact a substantially contemporaneous exchange.

**Twentieth Affirmative Defense**

Any payments to Defendant as alleged in the Complaint were made for value.

**Twenty-First Affirmative Defense**

Any payments to Defendant as alleged in the Complaint were received in good faith.

**Twenty-Second Affirmative Defense**

Any payments to Defendant as alleged in the Complaint were made in exchange for reasonably equivalent value.

**Twenty-Third Affirmative Defense**

Any payments as alleged in the Complaint were made in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs of the Debtor and the transferor.

**Twenty-Fourth Affirmative Defense**

Defendant gave new value to the Debtor after any transfer.

**Twenty-Fifth Affirmative Defense**

Defendant avers as an affirmative defense that it intends to rely upon such other defenses as may become legally available hereafter or become apparent during discovery proceedings in this case and hereby reserves the right to amend this Answer to assert any such defenses.

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